

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM.

OFFICERS PROPOSE TO OPEN IT SUNDAY.

THE NEW ADDITION NEARLY COMPLETED—WHAT IT WILL CONTAIN.

The trustees of the American Museum of Natural History are at present considering the advisability and practicality of opening the institution to the public on Sunday. The officers are almost unanimously in favor of the proposition, and, as one of them said yesterday, would open it today, if the funds were available. The question of funds, however, is fully as serious to the Museum of Art as it is to the Museum of Natural History. Up to the present time no definite plan has been decided upon, but the question will be considered at the next regular meeting of the board.

In all probability, according to one of the trustees, a bill will be drafted similar to that already before the Legislature, providing for the expense of the opening. The opening of the institution on Sundays, the trustee said, would cause annually the outlay of about the same amount of money, \$12,000, as is necessary for the opening of the Museum of Art on Sundays. There is no doubt that many persons in the city would be gratified if it were opened on that day, as thousands and thousands of people would then be able to visit it at their leisure.

The new addition to the Museum, at its southern extremity, will be opened to the public in a few weeks. It is a handsome building in the Renaissance style of architecture. It was designed by J. C. Cady & Co. The main part of the building is 60 by 150 feet, the basement being twenty-three feet in height, the first story sixteen feet, the gallery thirteen feet, the second story eighteen feet, and the third twenty feet. The building is made principally of brick, the front being of red granite from New Brunswick and other parts of the State. The iron girders form the support for the floors, which are composed of firebrick covered with concrete and cement. The grand staircase, running from the basement to the third story, is composed of dark iron with iron railings. The lecture-room, with a seating capacity for 1,000, is in the basement.

The collection of building stones given by the president, Morris K. Jesup, will be exhibited in the new wing. This collection, containing over 1,500 blocks, principally from the United States, is arranged in a series of cases, each of which is labeled with the name of the quarry, the location, the name of the material and the geological position. The collection is at present arranged geographically, under the different States, and each specimen is numbered and catalogued. This collection is a duplicate of that used by the experts employed in this department for the tenth census report, and has been made at a great expense by Mr. Jesup. There is a slide prepared for microscopic study belonging to each block in possession of the Museum. Besides these, there are also many numbers of larger blocks of American and foreign building stones, marbles, etc., of great beauty, many of whose localities are unknown, the records and labels having been lost or destroyed at the Centennial Exposition, where some of them were obtained.

The second floor of the east wing is used in part for the offices of the officials of the museum. They are beautifully decorated. The floors are laid with Italian mosaic. The rest of this floor is given to the display of mammals, including the large groups of the buffalo and the moose. These two groups are said to be in the largest cases that have ever been made for any museum. The buffaloes number seven, and are seen amid their native surroundings, the "old man" weed, the sharp-pointed Yucca, the prickly-pear cactus and the alpine spots.

The collection of monkeys, said to be the finest in the United States, is in groups and cases in the gallery. Here is also Mr. Crozier's collection of insects, including beetles and moths. This entomological collection was destined to be one of the most interesting in the museum, for while it is extensive, through the efforts of A. N. Palmer, the director of New York City, it has been given to the Museum of Natural History, which consists of about 200,000 specimens, choice and rare. The large large lot, which is so arranged as to be studied in connection with the paleontological collection.

The wing is wholly devoted to the mineralogical collection, classified according to Dana's system of mineralogy. The addition of the "Spang" minerals, alone valued at \$17,500, this display is considered one of the most valuable of its kind in the United States. The collection, which includes the Spang minerals, which have been added to the collection of the Museum of Natural History, consists of 1,200 specimens, illustrating the workmanship and customs of the aborigines of that country. The books number now about 20,000, but the accommodations are for 50,000. The buildings are lighted by electricity, eleven miles of wire being used for the electrical purposes. In the construction of the building there have been expended 1,400,000 feet of glass and 85,725 cubic feet of rubble work.

THE PRINT CLOTH MARKET.

Fall River, Feb. 13 (Special).—The local cloth market is practically bare of goods, there being only 16,000 pieces of regular cloth on hand. The sales of the week have been fairly large. The demand has been primarily for February deliveries, but manufacturers have declined to sell at present quotations. Old goods continue to sell well and most of the mills have favorable contracts on hand, bidding fair to give good returns. The prospects for additions to the plants now established here are good. The Kew-Town Cloth Company has decided to enlarge, but there is a disposition among stockholders in the Hargreaves Mills to resist any increase in the capital stock of that corporation. However, there seems to be no difficulty in securing capital among them for another fine goods mill. The King Philip Mill will have additional looms running within nine months. The stockholders of the Westmore Mill will hold a meeting next Thursday to vote on the question of reducing the capital stock. The weekly print cloth statement is as follows: Production, 100,000 pieces; deliveries, 201,000 pieces; stock, 15,000 pieces—total 64. Last week's stock, 15,000 pieces; sales, 122,000 pieces; deliveries, 64,000 pieces; stock, 65,000 pieces; spots, 44,000 pieces; futures, 180,000 pieces—sales for weekly delivery: February, 160,000 pieces; March, 100,000 pieces; April, 20,000 pieces; May, 10,000 pieces; June, 5,000 pieces; July, 1,000 pieces; August, 5,000 pieces. The market is firm and prices are 3-1/2 cents for 64x94; 2-3/4 cents for 60x84.

A LUMBER COMPANY'S SUIT FOR DAMAGES.

Cheboygan, Mich., Feb. 13.—The Cheboygan Lumber Company has brought suit against the Delta Transportation Company of Chicago to recover \$40,000 damages. On November 25, 1891, about 10,000,000 feet of lumber belonging to the company, including logs, sawn lumber and logs, were nearly destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of about \$150,000. The lumber company alleges that sparks from the steamer Minnie M., owned by the defendant company, which had left the harbor half an hour before, caused the conflagration.

THE SUIT AGAINST THE DELAMETERS.

Meadville, Penn., Feb. 13.—The examination of Assignee Haskins as to the market value of the property of the Delameters before the failure, and also the value of other assets, consumed both sessions of court today. The result thus far has been to decrease rather than increase the value of all the property as returned by the assignee. The total liabilities of the firm are \$21,000,000 in liabilities.

A RAILROAD FOREMAN KILLED BY A TRAIN.

Mount Holly, N. J., Feb. 13.—Daniel Sikes, foreman of the bridge construction corps of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was instantly killed this morning while trying to cross a bridge in advance of a passenger train.

COTTON CROP MOVEMENT.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—Secretary Foster's weekly cotton report statement makes an increase in the cotton movement for the last week of 62,001 bales over the corresponding week of 1891. The total for the seven days ending on the first twelve days of February was 358,772 bales, against 264,422 bales last year. These bring the total quantity of cotton crop marketed up to date to 7,534,697 bales, against 7,105,832 bales last year. Foreign exports during the week were 172,220 bales, against 142,360 last year. American exports for the week were 196,552 bales, against 122,060 last year. The total for the seven days ending on the first twelve days of February was 4,007,419 bales, against 3,983,772 bales last year. The total for the seven days ending on the first twelve days of February was 4,007,419 bales, against 3,983,772 bales last year. The total for the seven days ending on the first twelve days of February was 4,007,419 bales, against 3,983,772 bales last year.

DR. MOYLEN'S EXPERTS CALL TO HOME.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 13.—Dr. Edward Moylen, in an interview this afternoon said: "I was ordered to come to Rome some years ago, the order was coupled with an order to make a written retraction of the political and economic doctrines which I had preached. In a word, my case had been prejudged. The United States is a missionary country, and is therefore controlled by the Propaganda. Cardinal Simonini, the Prefect of the Propaganda, was prejudged against me. He died a few weeks ago and Cardinal Lodovico was appointed in his place. Archbishop Ireland, of St. Paul, reached Rome two days ago, and I expect soon to be invited to a conference in Rome. I have every reason to hope that I will be restored to the ministry without retracting the political and economic truths I have preached and still preach."

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